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New-York, October 5, 1775.

P H I L A D E L P H I A.
The following Letters are published by order of the Honourable Continental Congress.

Head quarters, Cambridge, Aug. 11, 1775.

SIR,

I understand that the officers engaged in the cause of liberty and their country, who by the fortune of war have fallen into your hands, have been thrown indiscriminately into a common jail, appropriated for felons—that no consideration has been had for those of the most respectable rank, when languishing with wounds and sickness—that some of them have been even amputated, in this unworthy situation.

Let your opinion, Sir, of the principle which animates them be what it may, they suppose they act from the noblest of all principles, a love of freedom and their country. But political opinions, I conceive, are foreign to this point. The obligations arising from the rights of humanity, and claims of rank, are universally binding and extensive, (except in case of retaliation.) These I should have hoped, would have dictated a more tender treatment of those individuals, whom chance or war had put in your power. Nor can I forbear suggesting its fatal tendency to widen that unhappy breach, which you, and those Ministers under whom you act, have repeatedly declared you wish to see for ever closed.

My duty now makes it necessary to apprise you, that for the future I shall regulate my conduct towards those gentlemen, who are, or may be in our possession, exactly by the rule you shall observe towards those of ours, now in your custody.

If severity and hardship mark the line of your conduct, (painful as it may be to me) your prisoners will feel its effects; but if kindness and humanity are shown to ours, I shall with pleasure consider those in our hands only as unfortunate, and they shall receive from me that treatment, to which the unfortunate are ever entitled.

I beg to be favoured with an answer, as soon as possible, and am, Sir, your very humble servant.

GEORGE WASHINGTON.

His Excellency General GAGE.

SIR, Boston, August 13, 1775.

TO the glory of civilized nations, humanity and war have been compatible; and compassion to the subdued is become almost a general system.

Britons, ever pre eminent in mercy, have outgone common examples and overlooked the criminal in the captive. Upon these principles, your prisoners, whose lives are dear to the King, have hitherto been treated with care and kindness, and more comfortably lodged than the King's troops in the hospitals; indiscriminately it is true, for I acknowledge no rank, that is not derived from the King.

My intelligence from your army would justify severe recompensation, I understand there are of the King's faithful subjects, taken some time since by the rebels, labouring like Negro slaves to gain their daily subsistence, or reduced to the wretched alternative, to perish by famine, or take arms against their King and country. Those who have made the treatment of the prisoners in my hands, or of your other friends in Boston, a pretence for such measures, found barbarity upon falsehood.

I would willingly hope, Sir, that the sentiments of liberality, which I have always believed you to possess, will be exerted to correct these misdoings. Be temperate in political disquisition; give free operation to truth, and punish those who deceive and misrepresent, and not only the effects, but the causes of this unhappy conflict will be removed.

Should those under whose usurped authority you act, control such a disposition, and dare to call severity retaliation, to God who knows all hearts, be the appeal for the dreadful consequences. I trust that British soldiers, asserting the rights of the state, the laws of the land, the being of the constitution, will meet all events with becoming fortitude. They will court victory, with the spirit their cause inspires, and from the same motive will find the patience of martyrs under misfortune.

Till I read your insinuations in regard to Ministers, I conceived that I had acted under the King; whose wishes, it is true, as well as those of his Ministers, and of every honest man, have been to see this unhappy breach forever closed; but unfortunately for both countries, those who long since projected the present crisis, and influence the councils of America, have views very different from accommodation.

I am, Sir,
your most obedient humble servant,
THOMAS GAGE.
George Washington, Esq:

Head quarters, Cambridge, Aug. 19, 1775.

SIR,

I addressed you on the eleventh instant in terms which gave the fairest scope for the exercise of that humanity and politeness, which were supposed to form a part of your character. I remonstrated with you on the unhappy treatment shewn to the officers and citizens of America, whom the fortune of war, chance, or a mistaken confidence, had thrown into your hands.

Whether British or American mercy, fortitude, and patience, are most pre eminent

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C A M B R I D G E. October 4.
The following Letters were lately intercept-
ed in the Brig. Dolphin, Capt. Wallace,
from Quebec to Boston, and are now pub-
lished by Authority, to shew that the brave
and enlightened Canadians are as fully
sensible of the blessings of a free govern-
ment as their southern brethren, and will
doubtless soon join the great Union now
formed for the defence and preservation
of American Liberty.

SIR, Quebec, Sept. the 6th 1775.

" I have the honour to inform your Ex-
cellency, that by General Carleton's orders
I have taken up a vessel to transport a
quantity of cattle, sheep &c a present from
the province of Quebec to the sick and
wounded soldiers in His Majesty's forces at
Boston, of which, together
with a charter party I have inclosed to
Maj. Genl. Gage.

" I will continue to send (by order of
General Carleton) as many bullocks and
sheep as the size of each transport will con-
tain, which I hope meets with your Excel-
lency's approbation; I could wish the cattle
were better, but in general they are
very poor and small in this country. Gene-
ral Carleton has given me directions to con-
tract for some horses. In order to be in
readiness to meet the transports he expects you
will send to Quebec this fall; and I am in
hope I shall be able to procure a quantity of
cattle and hay, time enough to supply the
transports you may think proper to send.

I hope you will pardon me for remanding
you of my situation; my length of service,
and pretensions as an officer, I took the liberty
to set forth in a mortal! I transmit-
ted to your Excellency by the last transport
that failed; and I shall only add, that when
a proper opportunity offers, I hope you will
take the prayer of it into consideration; and
grant me either the purchase of a company
or one in a new corps; which ever your Excel-
lency shall think most proper.

No prospect yet of the militia being em-
bodied here; nor do I think they will; Gen.
Carleton I am apt to think is afraid to give
the order, lest they should refuse to obey;

and I believe this year will pass over without
the Canadians doing any thing in favor of
government; this day's post has brought an
account that the rebels have taken post at
Point O'Fare with a body of troops; if so
they may have thoughts of advancing into
this province; two small vessels of ours were
launched at St. John's yesterday; we are
told here that Mr. Schuyler is building four
at Ticonderoga; in short sir, you must look

for no diversion in favor of the army immediate-
ly under your Excellency's command,
this year from Canada; the language here
being only to defend the province; and it is
generally thought here, that if the rebels
were to push forward a body of four or five
thousand men, the Canadians would lay
down their arms; and not fire a shot;—
I hope you will pardon me thus writing so
freely; and not impute it to presumption;
as it is merely intended to let your Excellency
into a true state of facts; as from
many other quarters you may have interested
accounts.

I have the honour to be with the utmost
respect, your Excellency's most obedient
humble servant. THO. GAMBLE,

To his Excellency General Gage.

Dear Sir, Quebec, Sept. 6, 1775.
I inclose you a charter party for a vessel
taken up by order of Maj. Gen. Carleton
to transport some live stock purchased by a
contribution in this province, for the use
of the sick and wounded soldiers of his Ma-
jesty's forces at Boston; also bills of lading.

The vessel belongs to John Dunn, your
old friend, though chartered by Mr. Grant,
and I am to beg you will do every good of-
fice in your power to the master, either by
employing the vessel, or, should he return
this fall to Quebec by affording him to get
out of the port of Boston with a little pitch
and tar, with wine, candles and some other
articles that are much wanted here. The
freight Mr. Dunn begs you will pay at Boston
as per agreement with Mr. Grant, to
enable the master to purchase a cargo at
your port; as it was the hopes of making
something by the profits of her cargo back,
that induced Dunn and Grant to let me
have her; and it makes no difference to the
crown whether it is paid at Boston, or by
me here; in short Dunn writes to you on
the subject, and to his letter I refer you.

The rebels have taken post at Point O'Fare;
and an invasion of the province is expected;
should that take place, I am apt to think
the Canadians will lay down their arms, and
not fire a shot; their minds are all poisoned
by emissaries from New England, and the
damned rascals of Merchants here and at
Montreal; Gen. Carleton is, I believe,
afraid to order out the militia, lest they
should refuse to obey; in short the Quebec
bill is of no use, on the contrary the Cana-
dians talk of that damned abused word
liberty.

Remember me to all with you, and be-
lieve me your's very sincerely,

THO. GAMBLE.

To Major Sheriff, D. Q. M. G.

W O R C E S T E R, October 6.
We hear that General Howe, belied officer
in Boston, was, on Sunday last, pro-
claimed Governor of the whole province of
the Massachusetts Bay. The innocualts
Gage, Howe's predecessor in this mighty
command, is ordered to return to England
forthwith. Howe also succeeds to the com-
mand of all the King's troops in America.

Admiral Greaves is also superseded; but
who is appointed in his room, we have not
heard.

The enemy are now preparing to send off
from Boston, several men of war, and a
number of troops, supposed to be on some
plundering, robbing expedition.

It is reported the punishment to be inflicted
on the Tories, is at last on the point of
being determined by the General Congress.

Last Monday arrived in Piscataqua River
a ship from England, intended for Boston. It
appears that the day before her arrival
she was in company with the Raven, man
of war, bound to the same place, but parted
with her in the night. Meeting with a
fisherman, to the eastward of Cape Anne,
the crew requested some directions, what
course to steer for Boston; the honest fisher-
man, pointing towards Piscataqua river,
tells them there is Boston. The crew shaped
their course accordingly, and soon, very
likely found themselves with their ship and
cargo, under the guns of the battery lately
built by the people of New Hampshire.—

The commander of the battery, with a number
of men, very hurriedly gone on board to
their assistance, to pilot the ship up to Port-
smouth. I cannot go there,—says the Cap-
tain of the ship.—I am bound to Boston.—
But, you must, replies the other: And I am
immediately ordered her to be got under way,
soon carried her safe along side a wharf,
where she was taken proper care of by the
people of Portsmouth. She had been out
11 weeks from Bristol in England, and had
on board 1800 barrels and 400 half barrels
of flour, for the use of the besieged army in
Boston.

N E W - Y O R K, October 12.
On Thursday the 26th ult. departed this
Life at his Seat in Dutchess County, Birck-
Brinckhoff, Esq; late Alderman and Merchant
in this City.

Extract of a Letter from General Schuyler,
to the Provincial Congress, at New York,
dated at Ticonderoga, September 29, 1775.

" I am still confined with the remains of
an inveterate Disorder. I have this Mo-
ment received a Line from General Mont-
gomery; he holds St. John's before. The
Canadians are friendly to us, and join
us in great Numbers. We have taken Fif-
teen Prisoners, Seven of which are Soldiers,
and the rest unfriendly Canadians and
Scotchmen in the Service of the Ministry."

We are informed from undoubted Author-
ity, that Lord William Campbell, Governor
of South Carolina, has fled with the
utmost Precipitation, on board the Man of
War in the Harbour. The Committee of
Charlestown have very fortunately dis-
covered that his Excellency had employed one

Cameron, an Indian Commissary in the
interior Parts of that Province, to engage the
Indians in the Ministerial Service, who had
actually inflicted 600 of them, and furnished
them with every Necessary in order to
Butcher the back Inhabitants. This Plan
was discovered by a Gentleman who seized
the Express on his Way from said Cameron
to the Governor, whom he knew to be di-
affiliated to the American Cause, and con-
veyed the Dispatches to the Provincial
Committee. The above Gentleman dis-
guised himself in a Drover's Habit, and as-
tended the Express to the Governor's House,
and heard the Conversation between them,
and then discovered the whole Plot to the
Committee.

We hear that the Men of War at the East
End of the Island, have taken four large
Vessels from the West Indies bound to New-
England, laden with West India Produce,
and sent them to Boston; three of them be-
long to Jerathmell Bower, of the Massa-
chusetts Bay, in which Mr. Bower has toll
upwards of 10000. lawful Money.

His Majesty's Sloop of War the Viper,
arrived here last Saturday, in 30 Hours from
Rhode Island. She left England after the
News arrived there of the Battle of Bunker's
Hill, is but 14 Days from Boston, and has
brought Dispatches for all his Majesty's Go-
vernors on the Continent: We hear she is
to sail in a few Days for the Southern Go-
vernments.

We hear Capt. Wallace has made a De-
mand from the Inhabitants of Newport, of
all the Live Stock they could spare from the
Island. The Inhabitants had only three
Days to consider of the Matter.

We are well assured that the Merchants
in Liverpool have laid up most of their Ships,
and in particular their Guineymen.

Extract of a Letter from Hartford.

" It is reported that General Washing-
ton a few Days ago sent in a Flag of Truce
to Boston, proposing an Exchange of Pri-
soners:—Major French for Col. Parker;
Lieutenant Knight, of the Navy, for Capt.

Scott; and his Excellency Governor Skeen,
for Corporal Cruise, of Capt. Doudle's
Company of Riflemen:—The two former
were accepted with readiness;—but the last
Exchange General Gage rejected with scorn,
as an insult to his Understanding;—so
that in all Probability we shall have the
Honour of his Excellency Governor Skeen's
residence among us.—God knows how
long."

Yesterday came town a number of Paxton
Boys, dressed and painted in the Indian
fashion, being part of a body of 200 Volun-
teers, who are on their way to Gen. Wash-
ington's army at Cambridge. Several of
these we hear are young gentlemen of for-
tune.

On Monday last, in 12 Weeks from Brit-
ton, arrived here, under Jury Maff, the
Brig Fair Lady, Capt. Robinson, who met
with very stormy Weather on the Passage,
and was in great Danger of being lost. The
following is extracted from his Log Bookvis;
Aug 2 Lat. 48. 30. Spoke the Ship Mars,
Capt. Benj. Mugs, from Jamaica for Lon-
don. Aug. 21. Lat. 38. 48. Spoke a Span-
ish Ship. Lat. 40. 25. Spoke the Brig
Thomas, Capt. William Clechorn, 25
Days from Rhode Island, on a Cruise to the
Coast of Brazil.

Sept. 8. Spoke a Ship 12 Days from
Virginia or London, 10th met with a Whirl-
wind which carried away the Fore-sail, Fore-
top-sail, and Foretop-mast Stay-sail.

Sept. 11. Violent Gale and high Sea,
scudded under bare poles, broach'd to, and
were in a dangerous Situation.

Sept. 12. Half after one, the Gale ex-
ceeding violent, cut away the Maintop-mast,
ship'd a heavy Sea which shifted the Ballast
and laid the Vessel on her Beam Ends. Cut
away the Main-mast, but she not righted,
and we expecting the next Sea would turn
her Keel upwards, cut away the Fore-mast—
when she righted a little—went to work
below, and after some Time, by throwing
the Ballast to Windward, thro' God's Bless-
ing, got her righted. The Gale still in-
creased till 6 o'Clock—so violent that it was
almost impossible for a Man to stand on the
Deck without being dashed. At 8 the Storm
began to abate, but a very dangerous Sea
continued till the Afternoon. Saw a Sail
2 Leagues to Windward, made a Signal of
Distress, lost Sight of her in the Night,
and saw her no more. 13th, Found we had
lost great Part of our Water, came to al-
lowance with the remainder—employed in
securing our Ballast and erecting a Jury
Fore-mast, which was completed the 15th.
On the 19th, from our Jury Mast Headsw-
a-Sail to N. being short of Bread and Wa-
ter, and the Weather calm, hoisted out the
Yawl, with 4 Hands who at 7 got on board
her, found her to be a Schooner from Cal-
ao Bay bound for Barbadoes. On the 15th,
they had stencens of the Kings Ships, dis-
masted, they supplied us with about 25 Gal-
lons of Water and a small Quantity of Bif-
ket. At 12 o'Clock the Yawl got on board.
Lat. 37. 57

Sept. 20. Spoke a Sloop 9 Days from
Cape Bay, bound to Barbadoes, and re-
ceived from her about 15 gallons of water.
On the 15th, lat. 39. 3. long. 63. she had
spoke the snow Hop, Capt. John Forbes,
from Eufaula, bound to Holland, who, in
lat. 35. 6. and long. 64. 22. had been in a
severe gale of wind, which drove her on her
beam ends, drove in her stern, wash'd the
Carpenter overboard, and almost killed the
Captain, whom they supplied with a small
quantity of provisions.

Sept. 21. Lat. 39. 25. Spoke the ship
Duke of Leinster, from Baltimore bound to
Cork; got from her a span top-sail yard, for
a jury main-mast.

Sept. 23. Fresh gale and a high sea, John
Garvan, mariner fell overboard, threw over
to save him a hen coop, and hoist out this
yawl, but the filled, and parting her painter,
both man and boat, were lost.

Sept. 25. Spoke the ship Grace, Captain
Francis Know, six days from Philadelphia;
bound to Falmouth, from him we were
supplied with a small cask of bread, and two
gallons of spirits.

Sept. 26. Spoke the ship Recovery, Capt.
Kyle, from Philadelphia, for Cork. He sup-
plied us with a cask of bread, a cask of wa-
ter and some small stores.

Sept. 28. Lat. 39. 22. Spoke the Brig
Dunmore, Capt. John McKinnis, six days
from Virginia, bound to Glasgow.

Sept. 29. Lat. 38. 38. Spoke the snow
Baltimore, Capt. James Clarke five days
from Baltimore. He supplied us with an
old top-sail and a few candles.

Oct. 2. Lat. 38. 25. Rigged our jury
main-mast.

Oct. 6. Our fore top-mast carried away.

Oct. 7. Got sounding, 45 fathom, and saw
the N. W. by N. distant three
leagues.

We hear from St. John's, that Capt. Prof-
fot, commander of the Fort, sent word to
Gen. Montgomery, that he would deliver it
up to him, if he would permit him and the
King's troops to march to Quebec, with their
arms, stores, and artillery, but the General
refused to comply with his request.

Governor Carlton, it is said, has bought
up all the powder from the merchants at
Quebec, and stored it there, the whole of
which amounts to upwards of 10,000 barrels.

[Several pieces intended for this Paper,
on account of their length, or coming too
late, are omitted for want of room.]

[We are obliged to defer the Account of
the Commencement at Princeton, till our
next.]

The pieces, entitled, *Patriotism; Allegi-
ance to a Crowned Head on the British Throne;*
*Fear God, honour the King; Propt. Deus
vult perdes dominas.*, will be inserted as
soon as roots in the Paper will admit.

[The difficult situation of public affairs,
makes it uncertain how long the publication
of this Paper may be practicable,—and if
it should, without previous notice, be sus-
pended, the publick will easily conceive the
reason of it.]

At a meeting of the Committee of Inspec-
tion and Observation, held in Stamford,
on Thursday the 5th day of October,
1775.

PERSONALLY appeared, Obadiah
Seely, Jas. and Gideon Lounsbury;
they having been cited to appear before said
Committee, for speaking disrepectfully of
the Honourable Continental Congress, and
in many other instances acting inimically to
the Liberties of America; and after hearing
the evidence brought against them, the
Committee aforesaid proceeded to pass sen-
tence; and agreeable to the directions of
said Congress, resolved to hold up said Seely
and Lounsbury to publick view, as enemies
to the Liberties of their country; hereby re-
commending it to all, to break off all com-
munication, dealing and connections with them.

Ordered, that the Clerk send a copy of
the above resolve, to be inserted in the New-
York Journal.

A true copy from the minutes.
Attest. JOHN HAIR, Jas. Com. Clerk.

Acknowledge I have at fe-

veral times spoken in favour of the laws of
Taxation, and against the measures pursued by
America to procure Redress, and have thereby justly
merited the displeasure of my country, and for
which I beg forgiveness, and do solemnly promise
to submit to the rules of the Continental and Pro-
vincial Congresses, and that I never will speak or
act in opposition to their order, but will conduct
according to their directions, to the utmost of my
power, and this I dole should be published in the
public prints. LEMUEL BOWER.

This Week will be Published,
A TREATISE, ENTITLED,
Plain Concise Practical Remarks
on the Treatment of WOUNDS and FRATURES,
With a short APPENDIX on Camp and Military
Hospital; particularly designed for the use of young
military Surgeons in North America,
By JOHN JONES, M. D.
Professor of Surgery, King's College, New York.

As there are but a small number printed,
of this useful, and at this time highly necessary work,
Notice is hereby given to all persons, who desire any
of the BOOKS, that if they do not apply very soon,
they will probably be disappointed.—It is supposed
the price will be Four Shillings stitched, or Five shill-
ings half bound.

For CHARLES TOWN, (S. Carolina,)
The SLOOP
New York PACKET,
FRANCIS LITTLE Master.

WILL be ready to sail
on Saturday the 29th
Instant. For Passage apply to the Master
on board, at Lupion's Wharf, or the Sub-
scriber, near the Fly-Market.

10—11. WARD HUNT.

TWO DOLLARS REWARD,
R. N. & W. A. Y from the Subscriber, living in
Orange County, precinct of New Cornwall, early on Monday morning the 28th ult. a Negro
man named C A M B R I D G E, about 38 years of age, about 5 feet 4 inches high, thick and
well made, talk'd like a new Negro, and when a
little confused, talk'd like to be understood: Had on
when he went to Boston, a green jacket faced with red, blue & white, new shoes, and a new wool
hat, home made, and a check shirt, took with him two old blue homespun jackets, one tow shirt,
two towels, and one pair of blue and white
striped trousers; has a scar on the upper part of
his forehead, walks cropping, toes turned out, sup-
posed he will make for New York, and attempt to
get on board a man of war, having communicated
his full intention to one of his companions.—

Whoever takes up said Negro, shall have the above
Reward, and all reasonable charges paid by
GILBERT WEEKS.

